



131 Rohde Avenue

St. Jerome Church

131 Rohde, Cincinnati, Ohio

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1 – 5 PM Monday – Thursday

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Mass Schedule

Saturday evening 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM

Tuesdays and First Fridays 7:30 PM

Reconciliation by appointment

Pregnancy assistance services (nationwide) 1-800-848-LOVE

Suicide Prevention Hotline (nationwide) 1-800-273-8255, (local) 513-281-CARE

Baptisms and Weddings: Call the Rectory (513) 231-7042

How to register at St. Jerome's: New member registration packets are under the table to the right as you leave church. Fill out the registration form and return that form by dropping it in the collection basket, or mailing it to the Rectory at 5858 Kellogg Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45230. If you have any questions, please call the Rectory at 231-7042.

**The Eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
March 3, 2019**

Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Intention	Petitioner
Sat 3/2	5:00 PM	Paul Brandner	
Sun 3/3	9:30 AM	Mark Weber	Patti Prugh
Tue 3/5	7:30 PM	Dorothy Roat	Tom Roat
Wed 3/6	4:00 PM	Intentions of the Celebrant	
Sat 3/9	4:00 PM	Judy Campbell	Tony and Mary Ellen Fellingner
Sun 3/10	9:30 AM	Diana Cindea	Patti Prugh
Tue 3/12	7:30 PM	Lorry Brokamp	Denny and Maggie Hoerst

Minister Assignments for March 9th and 10th, 2019

Date/Time	Lector	Communion Minister	Servers	Ushers
Saturday 3/9 5:00 PM	Jim Lawrence	Helen Molloy	Charlie Andres Vince Andres	Tim Hogan Mike Molloy
Sunday 3/10 9:30 AM	Mary Smiley	Ron Kienzle	Sarah Chapman Andrew Champman	Ron Kienzle George Kamphaus

What's Happening?

Tuesday 3/5	6:30 PM	Laissez Le Bontemps Rouler!*
Wednesday 3/6	4:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Mass with ashes in church – Lent** Collection is for the Churches in Eastern Europe
Saturday 3/9	9:00 AM	Men's Day of Reflection at IHM† (See page 4.)
Sunday 3/10	2:00 AM	Daylight Saving Time begins
Tuesday 3/12	7:30 PM	Stations of the Cross followed by Mass in church

Collection 2/23 - 24/2019

\$1,445.00

Thank You

*The 11th annual Mardi Gras celebration will take place at Guardian Angels parish on Tuesday March 5th. Burning of palms will be at 6:30 in the parking lot followed by a full course meal in the undercroft. There is no charge but a freewill offering will be happily accepted. To reserve a spot email csuestef@zoomtown.com or call Mary Ann at 474-2627.

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Ash Wednesday Mass with ashes is at 4 pm this year

Now You Know

We are sure that you have been hearing a lot on the news about the Bishops conference in Rome on the Protection of Minors. While some pessimists have already begun to criticize the meeting for what was and what was not accomplished, most holy men of God are praising the conference for the elevation of the discussion of this terrible scourge to the highest levels of the Church. It remains to be seen what actions may be taken but we are hoping for swift, strong, and decisive policies and processes that will remove predators, punish the guilty, and help to heal the victims.

We should all feel genuine compassion for the victims of clerical sexual abuse. Most of us will never understand the damage that has been done to them. We pray for them and we pray, too, for an end to Satan's overwhelming evil influence over people who, in the beginning, wanted to be faithful to God but failed catastrophically.

Here in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, steps were taken many years ago to prevent abuse to minors. Seminarians and deacon candidates must undergo periodic psychologic examinations designed to evaluate their emotional fitness for positions of trust. Many are told to leave. Every employee of the archdiocese and volunteers who work with children must complete abuse prevention courses, submit their fingerprints, and have extensive background checks; additionally, they must study monthly materials on abuse prevention and take tests on those materials.

If you suspect abuse of a child or vulnerable adult, you are encouraged to call the police and, if the abuser represents the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, you should call their independent abuse hotline: 1.800.686.2724 ext. 6623. You will remain anonymous. You may visit <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/ministries-offices/safe-environment-for-children-and-youth/> for more information about these policies. Please read Archbishop Schnurr's promise to us on the enclosed insert.

"You must accept your cross; if you bear it courageously it will carry you to Heaven."

— St. John Vianney

"Only God knows the good that can come about by reading one good Catholic book."

— St. John Bosco





†The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring the Men's Day of Reflection from 9 am to 2:30 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Heritage Hall. Lunch will be provided and you must bring your Bible. Fr. Roger Lopez, OFM, will help you explore challenges of faith. To register, go to <https://conta.cc/2HqG88r>. If you have questions, call Kip Backscheider at 513-520-6431.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for March

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

Pregnancy Center East (PCE) is pleased to announce their *Banquet for Life* fundraising dinner, to be held on Thursday, April 11 at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom in downtown Cincinnati. The social hour begins at 5:30 PM with the dinner and program commencing promptly at 7:00 PM and concluding at 9:00 PM. The keynote speaker is Mike Huckabee, former governor of Arkansas, political commentator and best-selling author.



"Start by doing what is necessary; then do what is possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible." — St. Francis of Assisi

Caregiver Group: Is your spouse struggling with health problems? Are you prepared to be a caregiver? Caregiver groups provide valuable resource information and can help prepare you for the future, whether near or far. Come meet others who have been there, done that, and can help you navigate your caregiving journey. There is a caregiver group at Immaculate Heart of Mary (meets Thursdays, March 7th and 21st at 6:00pm). Please call Angie Homoelle at (513) 672-3834 or visit www.ccswoh.org/caregivers for more information. Sponsored by the Caregiver Assistance Network, a program of Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio funded through the Council on Aging.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE. HELP SAVE LIVES! Ash Wednesday, March 6 through Palm Sunday, April 14 Daily from 7am to 7pm. This spring, Greater Cincinnati is uniting with 376 cities around the world for the 40 Days for Life campaign. Believers throughout our community are invited to join together for 40 days of **fervent prayer**, fasting and peaceful vigil for an end to abortion in front of Planned Parenthood on Auburn Avenue in Cincinnati. Go to www.40daysforlife.com/cincinnati to register for daily updates, sign up for prayer hours or to lead your parish participation.



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February 26, 2019

Dear Friends in Christ,

An extraordinary meeting in Rome between Pope Francis and representatives of the world's bishops concluded this past Sunday. The purpose of this gathering was to address the great evil of clerical sexual abuse of minors, with particular focus on bishops who failed to appropriately deal with this abuse in their dioceses.

The meeting identified many laudable principles and sentiments; however, some have expressed disappointment that it fell short of expectations. I encourage each of you to read for yourself the closing statement of Pope Francis found at <https://www.pbc2019.org/home>.

There is no doubt that the scourge of sexual abuse demands that bishops step up and lead with courage and moral clarity. As your Archbishop, I promise you that:

- Allegations of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult will always be promptly reported to the appropriate civil law enforcement authorities.
- I will remove from ministry permanently, and without the ability to be transferred to any other Catholic institution, any member of the clergy who is found to have sexually abused a minor or a vulnerable adult.
- We will continue to offer counseling and resources to the victims of sexual abuse to help them recover and heal from the damage they have experienced.
- All priests, deacons, employees and volunteers of the Archdiocese or its various ministries will continue to be subject to criminal background checks and trained on how to spot the signs of abuse, their obligation to report all suspected abuse, and exactly how to do so.
- I require, and will continue to enforce, a strict and diligent screening process for all seminary applicants and the highest standards of formation of men suitable to the Catholic priesthood at our seminary.

From the depths of my heart, I am sorry for the terrible pain and suffering experienced by the victims of abuse throughout their lives. I understand the anger and frustration that Catholic lay people rightfully feel at the inexcusable behavior of certain cardinals, bishops, and priests, the emotional exhaustion of having to defend their faith to friends and co-workers, and the discouragement of having to relive this deep tragedy. I am deeply saddened by the stigma that good and holy priests who are committed to their vocation and vows have to endure. I am sorry for the trust that has collectively been violated.

We live in a culture that cries out for the Gospel more than ever. Everywhere, I see people desperate for meaning in their lives, wanting to love and be loved, yearning for Jesus, even if they don't realize it. The mission of the Catholic Church, commissioned by Jesus Himself, is to bring the Good News of God's mercy and love to every corner of the earth. Tragically, the actions of some of our own members have diminished our ability to do this sacred work. I remain determined to take every step necessary in this archdiocese to help heal the injured, confront and remove evildoers, and to boldly and joyfully proclaim the salvation promised us by Jesus Christ.

Many of you may be feeling that Jesus has forsaken the Church. This is not true. Rather, some members of the Church have forsaken Jesus and the call to be disciples. Jesus established His Church on earth and promised to never leave us. As we know from the Gospel of John, "the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" (Jn 1:5).

Please join me in praying for the healing of all victims of the grave sin of sexual abuse. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, patroness of the Catholic Church in the United States, continue to intercede for us. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide and protect us.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dennis M. Schnurr". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small cross symbol at the beginning of the first letter.

Most Reverend Dennis M. Schnurr
Archbishop of Cincinnati



St. Jerome Church

2019 LENT AND EASTER SCHEDULE

A Voluntary Lenten Exercise in Charity

Please consider bringing a non-perishable food item to place in the basket as you enter church. Each week, the food will be given to Fr. Keller for the poor people in his community at Resurrection Church.

Also, Operation Rice Bowl boxes in the back of church are great to place on your dining table to remind you and your children to share your change with the poorest people of the world. Bring them back (full of money!) on Palm Sunday or Easter.

Ash Wednesday	March 6	4:00 PM*	Mass and distribution of ashes
Tuesday	March 19	7:00 PM	“The Light is On for You” at Guardian Angels Church
Monday	April 15	7:30 PM	Lenten Penance Service
Holy Thursday	April 18	7:30 PM	Mass of the Lord’s Supper
Good Friday	April 19	12:00 PM	Stations of the Cross
		1:00 PM	Rosary
		2:00 PM	Liturgy of the Passion with Holy Communion
Holy Saturday	April 20	9:00 PM	Easter Vigil Mass
Easter Sunday	April 21	9:30 AM	Easter Mass

On all Tuesdays of Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:30 PM followed by Mass.

***Note the time change of the Ash Wednesday Mass – now 4 pm.**

(Weekend Masses not listed above are at their regular times of 5 PM Saturdays and 9:30 AM Sundays. Palm Sunday is April 14.)

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